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Reconstruction of Borkheide Airfield (Z-52)

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1. The Borameide/Mark airfield is located about forty-five kilometers southwest of Berlin along the railroad line Berlin-Belzig-Dessau. The field is approximately 2.4 square kilometers in size, its longest stretch running north to south for 1.5 kilometers. North and west it is bordered by dense pine woods; south by the railroad line; and east by a fenced-off road between Borkheide and Borkwalde.

- There are no surfaced runways or hangars at the field. The soil, sandy and patched with heather and grass, is not suitable for fighter aircraft. There are a few one-story ouildings at the edge of the field.
- 3. Borkheid, an airfield since 1905, was used during the war as a training field for light trainers, single-engine fighters (which sometimes turned over when larding on the soft ground), and low speed transports.
  - sixty to eighty laborers drafted from surrounding villages began work on the field under the supervision of a Soviet officer from the Belzig komendatura. The field is being leveled off and rolled out.

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